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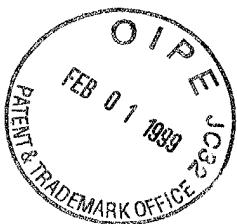
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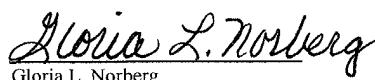
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Sir:

Enclosed please find the following documents:

1. An Amendment and Response to Examiner's Telephone Request Regarding Sequence Listing (including Exhibit A);
2. Statement as Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f) & (g);
3. Computer Readable Form of Sequence Listing in MS DOS ASCII Text;
4. Paper Copy of Sequence Listing (8 sheets) in Word '97 Format; and
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